Effectiveness of Online vs. Classroom Instruction

Is online instruction or conventional classroom training more effective in delivering information literacy instruction to General Studies 188 Portal and English 102 classes?

Problems encountered:

😊 Study based on the use of a common rubric for all English 102 or General Studies 188 courses — decision by English faculty to use rubric only for a small sample from each class invalidated protocol as approved by IRB.

😊 Nebraska state law and UNK’s IRB Board require students under the age of 19 to obtain parental consent for any participation in a human research study — most students did not send forms to parents within time frame

😊 Researchers did not offer an incentive, financial or otherwise, for participation in the study by students in GS or ENG classes. This may have been the main reason why so few students were willing to participate in the study.

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